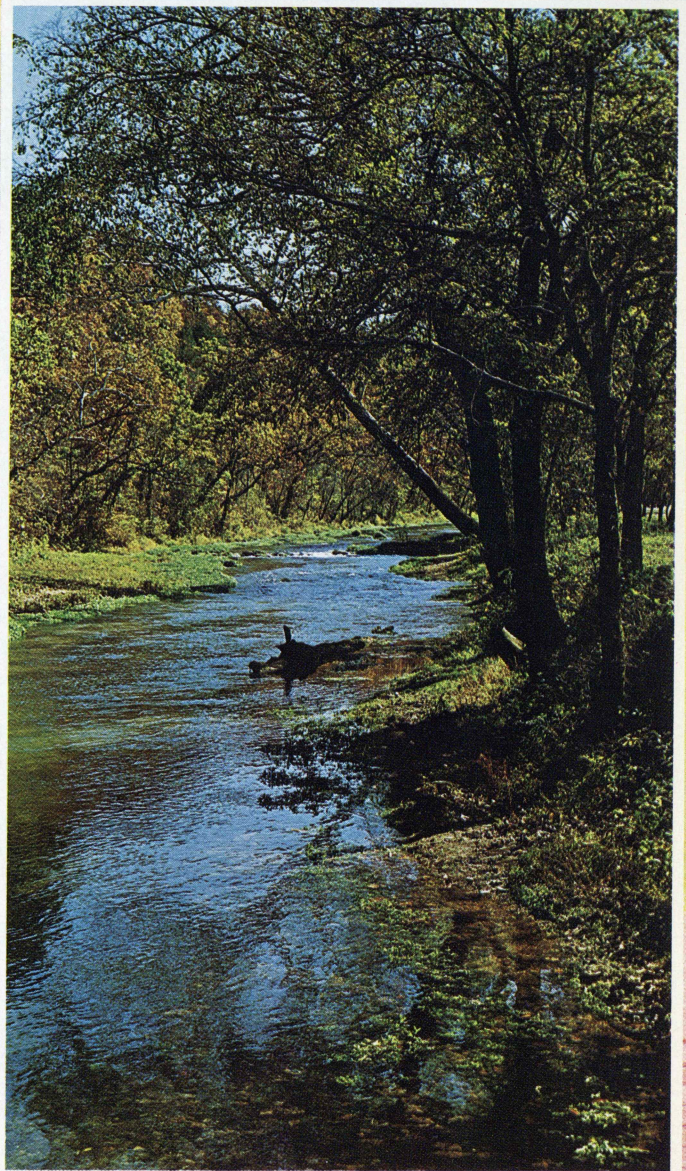




VISIT MISSOURI

**STATE PARKS AND
HISTORIC SHRINES**





Welcome to Missouri's State Parks

The people of Missouri invite you and your family to visit our great State. Please enjoy with us the abundance of natural beauty throughout Missouri, from the rugged Ozark area in the south to the rolling green hills in the north and the rich prairies in the west. I am sure the "Show-Me" State will show you a lot.

Our Missouri State Parks offer you nearly 90,000 acres of the natural beauty in thirty-six parks throughout the State. Relax for a day or longer by camping in the well equipped campsites or staying in one of the modern cabins. Several dining lodges offer excellent Missouri home-cooked food.

You will enjoy fishing in one of our clear, cool streams or in one of the large man-made lakes. Or you may wish to swim, go boating, horseback riding, or just relax in the pleasant Missouri atmosphere.

Much of the history of our state and nation is preserved for your enjoyment and education in several historic sites.

The friendly hospitality of the people of Missouri will make your stay with us both enjoyable and rewarding.

Warren E. Hearnes
Governor of Missouri

ABOUT MISSOURI STATE PARKS

The State Parks of Missouri are located in all parts of the State. The excellent highways make them easily accessible to all, and we especially invite visitors from our sister states to relax and enjoy these showcases of Missouri.

Several new areas have been added to the State Park System and all are now in the development state. The largest addition will be the new Rock Bridge State Park in Boone County. Elephant Rocks in Iron County, the Hunter-Dawson home in New Madrid, Towosahgy in Mississippi County, the Union Covered Bridge in Monroe County and Bollinger Mill in Cape Girardeau County are new areas under development.

Although these new areas will consume much time for their development, the State Park Board will not forget the parks now in operation. Many improvements are being made in the older parks and new facilities are being added. The program of updating the water and sewage systems is still in progress. Campgrounds are being enlarged and improved.

Work on the restoration of the First Capital in St. Charles is still underway as is the restoration of the historic Watkins Mill grounds and buildings. At all times, every effort is made to see that all restoration done is historically correct.

Use this booklet as a guide and invitation for a wonderful vacation in Missouri State Parks.

FACTS PERTAINING TO MISSOURI'S STATE PARKS

Acreage in State Park System.....	77,326	Number of park visitors in 1967.....	11,606,021
Number of maintained buildings.....	1,208	Number of people using overnight campgrounds in 1967.....	956,937
Acres of man-made lakes.....	1,024	The State Flower.....	Hawthorn
Miles of shore line on Lake of the Ozarks.....	89	The State Tree.....	Dogwood
Miles of major streams bordering or flowing through parks.....	44	The State Bird.....	Bluebird
Miles of maintained park roads.....	170	Approximate blooming date for Redbud.....	April 15
Number of organized group camps.....	16	Approximate blooming date for Dogwood.....	April 25
Group camp capacity.....	2,325	Height of flaming fall review.....	October 15-25
Number of group camper days in the 1967 season.....	149,601		



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Cover Photo — Lower spring branch, Bennett Spring.

Back Cover: Oak and hickory shade a day use area in Cuiyre River.

LOCATIONS, FACILITIES AND ACTIVITIES IN MISSOURI'S

Directional Signs are posted in all State Parks indicating these various facilities and their locations.

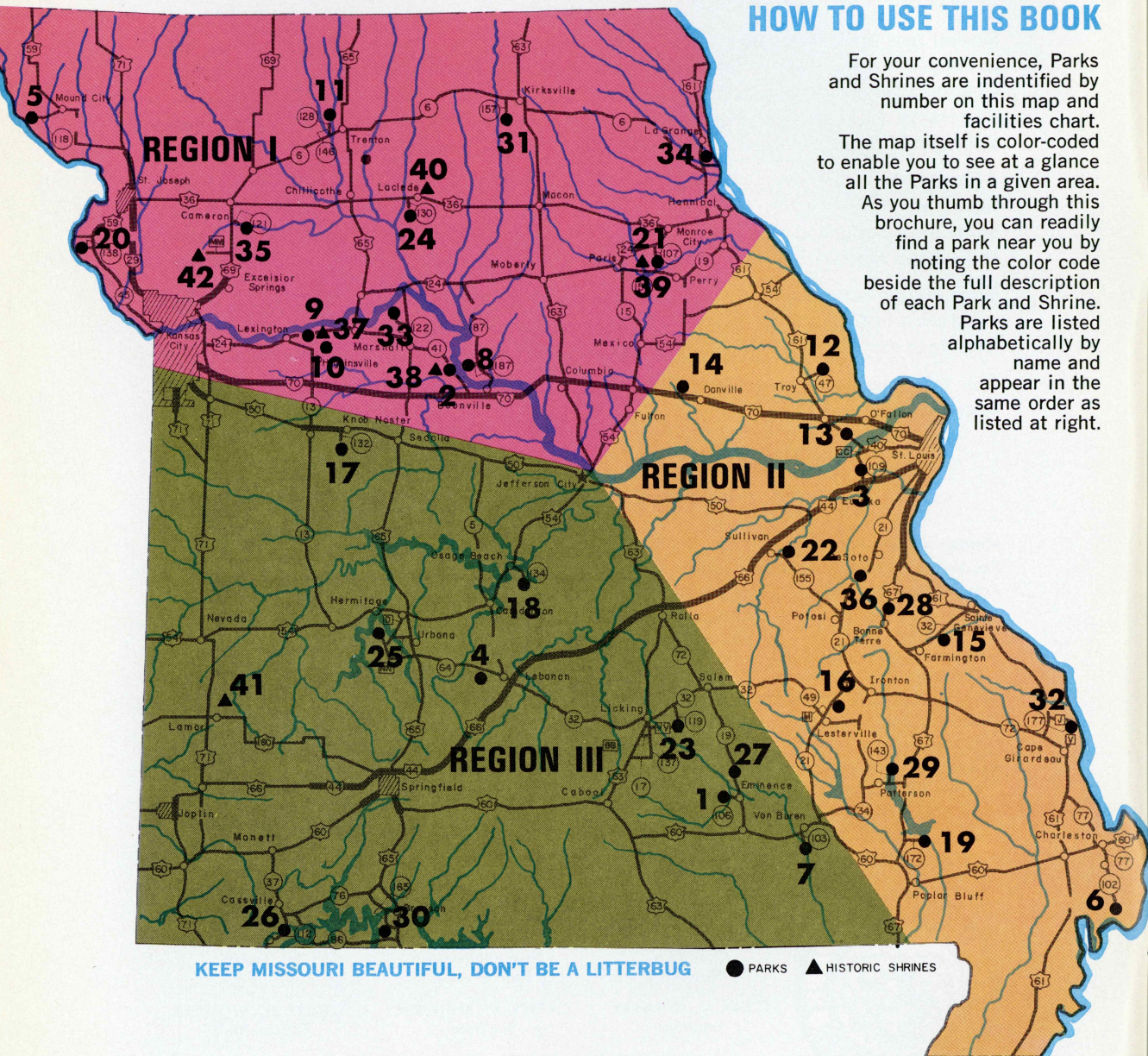
HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

For your convenience, Parks and Shrines are identified by number on this map and facilities chart.

The map itself is color-coded to enable you to see at a glance all the Parks in a given area.

As you thumb through this brochure, you can readily find a park near you by noting the color code beside the full description of each Park and Shrine.

Parks are listed alphabetically by name and appear in the same order as listed at right.



KEEP MISSOURI BEAUTIFUL, DON'T BE A LITTERBUG

● PARKS ▲ HISTORIC SHRINES

*“Enjoy Yourself . . .
take the family to one of Missouri's
many state parks!”*

STATE PARKS

NAME AND ADDRESS	Acreage	Streams	Springs	Trout Fishing	Fishing	Swimming	Swimming Pool	Boat Dock	Boating	Store	Cabins	Nature Trails	Dining Lodge	Saddle Horses	Group Camps	Lake	Tent or Trailer Camping	Electric Hookups	Trailer Dumping Station	Complete Travel Trailer Connections
1. ALLEY SPRING, Alley Spring, Mo.	418																			
2. ARROW ROCK, Arrow Rock, Mo.	38																			
3. DR. EDMUND A. BABLER MEMORIAL, Chesterfield, Mo.	2,400																			
4. BENNETT SPRING, Lebanon, Mo.	730																			
5. BIG LAKE, Bigelow, Mo.	111																			
6. BIG OAK TREE, East Prairie, Mo.	1,007																			
7. BIG SPRING, Van Buren, Mo.	5,836																			
8. BOONSLICK, Boonesboro, Mo.	17																			
9. CIVIL WAR BATTLE OF LEXINGTON, Lexington, Mo.	81																			
10. CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL, Higginsville, Mo.	95																			
11. CROWDER, Trenton, Mo.	640																			
12. CUIVRE RIVER, Troy, Mo.	5,914																			
13. FORT ZUMWALT, O'Fallon, Mo.	48																			
*14. GRAHAM CAVE, Montgomery City, Mo.	251																			
*15. HAWN, New Offenburg, Mo.	2,259																			
16. JOHNSON SHUT-INS, Middle Brook, Mo.	2,478																			
17. KNOB NOSTER, Knob Noster, Mo.	3,610																			
18. LAKE OF THE OZARKS, Kaiser, Mo.	16,405																			
19. LAKE WAPPAPELLO, Poplar Bluff, Mo.	1,854																			
20. LEWIS AND CLARK, Rushville, Mo.	61																			
21. MARK TWAIN, Stoutsville, Mo.	1,192																			
22. MERAMEC, Sullivan, Mo.	7,153																			
23. MONTAUK, Salem, Mo.	1,096																			
24. PERSHING, Laclede, Mo.	1,836																			
25. POMME DE TERRE, Pittsburg, Mo.	364																			
26. ROARING RIVER, Cassville, Mo.	3,332																			
27. ROUND SPRING, Round Spring, Mo.	75																			
*28. ST. FRANCOIS, Bonne Terre, Mo.	2,402																			
29. SAM A. BAKER, Patterson, Mo.	4,898																			
30. TABLE ROCK, Branson, Mo.	552																			
31. THOUSAND HILLS, Kirksville, Mo.	3,152																			
32. TRAIL OF TEARS, Cape Girardeau, Mo.	3,346																			
33. VAN METER, Miami, Mo.	727																			
34. WAKONDA, LaGrange, Mo.	257																			
35. WALLACE, Cameron, Mo.	301																			
36. WASHINGTON, DeSoto, Mo.	1,101																			
37. ANDERSON HOUSE, Lexington, Mo.																				
38. ARROW ROCK TAVERN, Arrow Rock, Mo.																				
39. MARK TWAIN BIRTHPLACE MEMORIAL SHRINE, Florida, Mo.																				
40. GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING BOYHOOD HOME MEMORIAL SHRINE, Laclede, Mo.																				
41. HARRY S. TRUMAN BIRTHPLACE MEMORIAL SHRINE, Lamar, Mo.																				
*42. WATKINS MILL, Lawson, Mo.	1,289																			

*These parks are under development, but are open with limited facilities.

"YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME IN MISSOURI'S SCENIC STATE PARKS"



Family camping — Alley Spring.

A high bluff forms a backdrop for the spring pool at Alley.

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ALLEY SPRING STATE PARK is located in Shannon County, 6 miles west of Eminence on State Highway 106. The outstanding feature in this park is the picturesque spring as it emerges as an underground stream from the base of a tree-covered cliff surging into a blue, clear pool. The spring branch races over the old mill dam and meanders through the 418-acre park to join Jack's Fork, world-famous as a smallmouth bass stream. The campgrounds are located on both sides of the spring branch. Excellent swimming is provided in the clear, cool water of Jack's Fork. The old red mill, built in 1870, is a landmark in the community and stands on the bank of the spring pool. The grinding mechanism has been restored, and corn meal, ground by the old burrs, may be purchased by the public. Foot trails, for hiking and nature study, wind through the park, over the hills and along the stream. Wildlife will be found in abundance. A concession building, housing shower, laundry and modern rest room facilities, is available. Daily housekeeping cabin rates start at \$6.50 for one double bed up to \$16.00 for four double beds.

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ARROW ROCK STATE PARK is located in Saline County, 13 miles north of Interstate 70 on State Highway 41, 15 miles east of Marshall. This park offers the visitor a wide variety of recreation. Besides the excellent historic town, ideal camping and picnicking facilities are available on the high limestone bluffs overlooking the fertile green valleys of the mighty Missouri River. Modern restrooms with showers, electric hookups and a trailer dumping station are available for tent or trailer camping.

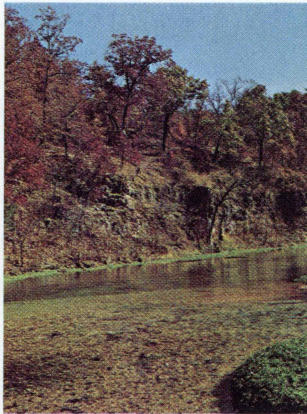
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DR. EDMUND A. BABLER MEMORIAL STATE PARK is located 20 miles west of St. Louis on State Highway 109 off St. Louis County CC. This 2,400-acre tract in St. Louis County was a gift to the State from Jacob L. Babler and Henry J. Babler of St.

Louis as a memorial to their brother, Dr. Edmund A. Babler, a well-known Missouri physician and surgeon. It was laid out and developed under the supervision of many of America's best park and forestry authorities and is intended as a great playground for the St. Louis area. The operation of this park was assumed on January 1, 1966, by the Missouri State Park Board. The only facilities are for day use, and no overnight camping is allowed.

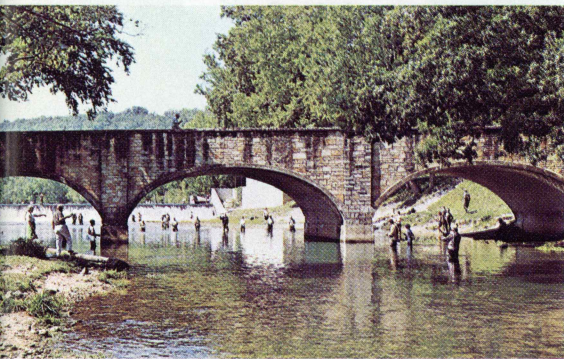


An open picnic shelter in Babler.



The bluff hole at Bennett Spring.

Bridge, Fisherman and Dam, Bennett Spring



BENNETT SPRING STATE PARK is not only one of the oldest but is one of the most popular parks in the system. The outstanding feature of the park is the large volume of clear, cold water from the sixth largest spring in Missouri, with an average daily flow of 71,000,000 gallons. As the spring branch wanders through the picturesque valley to the Niangua River, the clear, cool water furnishes excellent rainbow trout fishing. The stream is stocked daily from the well-operated hatchery within the park. Bennett Spring State Park, consisting of 730 acres, is located in Laclede and Dallas Counties, 12 miles west of Lebanon on State Highway 64. The campgrounds have been enlarged and two comfort stations, complete with showers, automatic clothes washers and dryers, are available. Also, a travel trailer park with connections for water, electricity and disposal is provided along with a trailer dumping station. Other facilities available are: dining lodge, cabins, store, picnic grounds, nature museum and swimming pool. The daily sleeping cabin rates start at \$6.50 for one double bed. The daily house-keeping cabin rates start at \$8.00 for one double bed.

BIG LAKE STATE PARK is located in Holt County, 11 miles southwest of Mound City on State Highways 118 and 159. This park, consisting of 111 acres which adjoins a 625-acre oxbow lake, is popular among motorboat enthusiasts, canoeists, swimmers, fishermen, picnickers, and of late, iceboating. This partially timbered and level area contains a large picnic area, campgrounds with modern rest rooms and showers, trailer dumping station, store, air-conditioned dining lodge, swimming pool, boat dock and boats, and modern housekeeping cabins with the daily rate starting at \$7.00 for one double bed.

BIG OAK TREE STATE PARK, containing 1,007 acres, 80 acres of which are in virgin timber, is located in Mississippi County, 10 miles south of East Prairie on County

A to State Highway 102. This botanical garden contains a number of the largest living specimens of big trees in America according to the American Forestry Association, such as: Green and Pumpkin Ash; Possumhaw Holly; Bur or Mossycup and Mutabilis Oaks; and Swamp Poplar. A 22-acre lake has been constructed to provide fishing. Picnic tables, ovens and a shelter are provided for the day visitors.



Some of America's largest trees frame the 22-acre fishing lake at Big Oak.

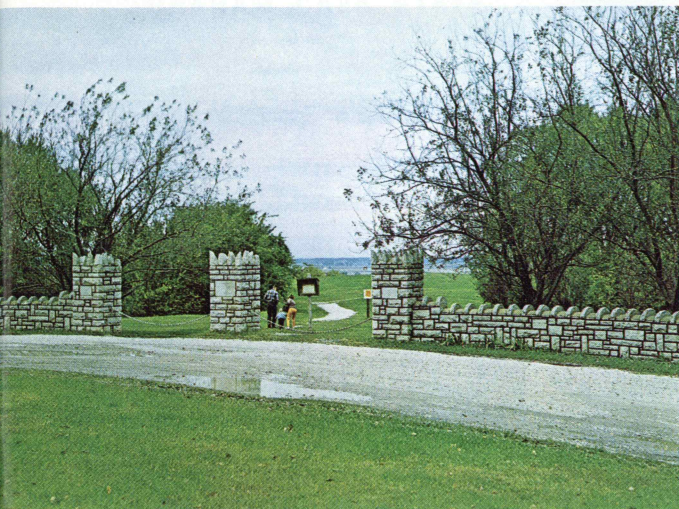
BIG SPRING STATE PARK, consisting of 5,836 acres, is located in Carter County, 4 miles south of Van Buren on State Highway 103. The outstanding feature of the park is the large volume of clear, cool water gushing from the base of a high limestone bluff. It is considered the largest single outlet spring in the United States with a maximum flow of 846,000,000 gallons daily. The facilities in the park are numerous for picnicking, tent and trailer camping, nature trails, nature museum and naturalist, boating, public boat launching ramp, fishing, modern cabins, store and dining lodge. This park is bordered on the east by the clear, swift-flowing waters of the famous Current River. The campers will find a comfort station with showers and coin-operated automatic clothes

washer and dryer; a new shelter; and a travel trailer park with connections for water, electricity and disposal available for their convenience. This park also has a 2,400-by-200-foot turf landing strip. The daily sleeping cabin rates start at \$5.00 for one double bed. The daily housekeeping cabin rates start at \$7.00 for one double bed.



Big Spring, the largest single spring in this country.

BOONSLICK STATE PARK is located on Howard County MM from State Highway 87, 10 miles northeast of Boonville. This state park in Howard County is being preserved as a historic site, one of the earliest centers of white men's activities in the interior of Missouri. Salt was made at Boonslick Spring as early as 1805 by Daniel M. Boone and Nathan Boone, the two sons of Daniel Boone. The salt was boated down the Missouri River to settlements and St. Louis. Facilities are available for picnicking and nature trails.



Entrance gate to where the Civil War Battle of Lexington was fought.

CIVIL WAR BATTLE OF LEXINGTON STATE PARK.

Here is the site of the Battle of Lexington, more popularly known as the "Battle of the Hemp Bales," fought in and around the City of Lexington on September 18, 19 and 20, 1861, between Major General Sterling Price of the Missouri State Guard and Colonel James A. Mulligan, Commander of Federal troops. The engagement ended in a victory for the South. Over a hundred years' weather has not erased the outlines of the trenches. Neither has the plow turned this sod. The park is located in Lexington from U. S. Highway 24 in Lafayette County. The historic Anderson House is in this park.

CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL STATE PARK is located in Lafayette County, 1 mile north of Higginsville on State Highway 20 and 13. The memorial park area of the Old Confederate Soldier's Home, consisting of 95 acres, is now maintained as a state park. The entire area, which will be preserved along with the cemetery, monuments and other commemorative items, is beautifully landscaped. Picnic tables and ovens are provided for the day users.



CROWDER STATE PARK is located in Grundy County, 2 miles west of Trenton on State Highway 6 and north on State Highway 146 to State Highway 128, and is in memorial to General Enoch H. Crowder. This park, consisting of 640 acres of very rugged terrain nestled in the green hills of northern Missouri, is outstanding. A man-made 20-acre lake provides swimming, fishing and boating. Picnicking and camping are popular throughout the season as is the enclosed shelter. Camp Grand River, the organized group camp which has a capacity of 120, is one of the best liked and most modern of the sixteen in the state park system. The campground now has modern rest rooms with showers. Also, electric hookups and trailer dumping station are available for the tent or trailer camper.

Lake in beautiful Crowder State Park.

CUIVRE RIVER STATE PARK is located in Lincoln County, 5 miles east of Troy on State Highway 47. This heavily wooded park of 5,914 acres is interlaced with over 15 miles of foot trails providing excellent hiking and nature study. Big Sugar and Little Sugar Creeks wind through the area to find their way to Cuivre River, which is the western border of the park. The park contains four organized group camps, Sherwood Forest, Derricotte, Cuivre and Frenchmans Bluff, which are heavily used by public non-profit organizations. The public use area is equipped for picknicking and camping.

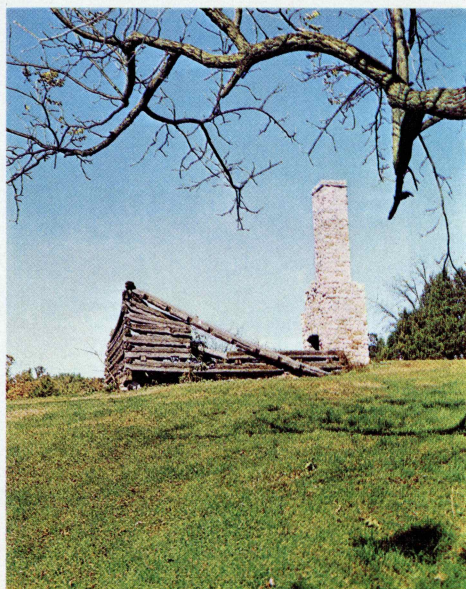


The new Lincoln Lake in Cuivre River.



Frenchman Bluff overlook at Cuivre River.

FORT ZUMWALT STATE PARK, containing 48 acres, is located in St. Charles County, 1 mile west of O'Fallon on State Highway 175 from Interstate 70. The remains of the oldest hewn timber cabin north of the Missouri River may be seen here. It is also the site of a fort built in 1798 by Jacob Zumwalt. The U. S. Daughters of 1812 erected a monument at the entrance of the park to commemorate the scene of the first battle of the War of 1812 in Missouri. Camping and picnicking facilities are available. An enclosed shelter is now available by reservations only. This park is closed at 10 p.m. daily. Electric hookups are available for tent or trailer camping.



Ruins of old Fort Zumwalt.

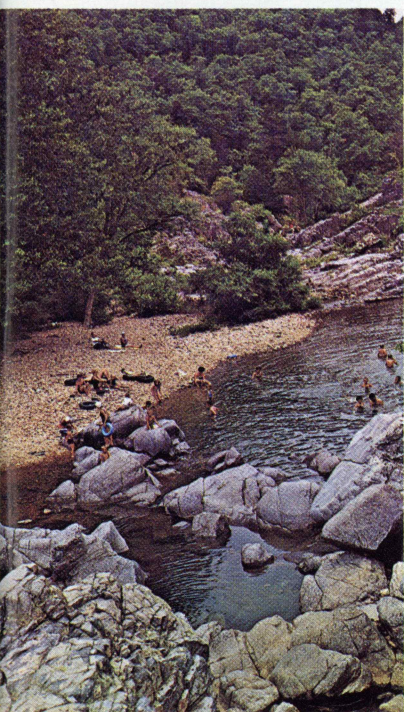
GRAHAM CAVE STATE PARK

is located in Montgomery County, 2 miles west of Danville on County TT from Interstate 70. The selection of the name of this park was due to the presence of a large sandstone cave named for an early settler, Robert Graham. The preliminary excavations conducted by the Missouri Archaeological Society and the University of Missouri were completed in 1954. Indian occupation of the cave has been placed at 7850 B.C., plus or minus 500, or approximately 10,000 years. This new park has modern rest rooms with showers and a trailer dumping station in the large campground.



Graham Cave gave its name to this park.

HAWN STATE PARK is located in Ste. Genevieve County, equal distance between Ste. Genevieve and Farmington, on a county road from State Highway 32. Although it is still under development, limited facilities for picnicking and camping are available. Roads are being constructed and nature trails were developed by a group of Neighborhood Youth Corps boys. This 2,259-acre park is noted for its beautiful stand of pine trees and wild azaleas. The park also contains many native Missouri hardwoods such as oak and hickory with a generous understory of dogwood and red bud. Spring-fed Pickle Creek runs through the park and will border one side of the campground.



Old Swimming hole —
Johnson Shut-ins.

JOHNSON SHUT-INS STATE PARK is located in the northeast corner of Reynolds County, 8 miles north of Lesterville on County M. The spectacular feature in this very rugged country is the picturesque shut-ins of the east fork of the Black River. Over eons of time, the stream formed a canyon-like defile by cutting a gap through a shelf of the oldest exposed rock in Missouri. This 2,478-acre park will be left in its wilderness state with only facilities provided for picnicking, camping, nature trails and swimming. Modern rest rooms with showers, automatic clothes washer and dryer are now available. Also available is a trailer dumping station and electric hookups.

Johnson Shut-ins on the East Fork of the
Black River.



KNOB NOSTER STATE PARK is located in Johnson County at Knob Noster on U.S. Highway 50. This 3,610-acre tract is heavily wooded, and has many miles of nature trails built for those who enjoy hiking and nature study. The area abounds with deer and other wildlife. The two organized group camps, Shawnee and Bob White, are used by non-profit organizations during the camping season from April 15 to October 15. Several lakes have been built to provide swimming and fishing. Other facilities are: picnic tables, ovens, shelters and campgrounds. The campgrounds have new modern rest rooms with showers, electric hookups for tent or trailer camping, and a dumping station for travel trailers.



The start of a trail ride in Lake of the Ozarks State Park.



Camping on the shores of Lake of the Ozarks.

LAKE OF THE OZARKS STATE PARK, located in Camden and Miller Counties near Osage Beach, is the largest in the Missouri State Park System, containing 16,405 acres. It has 89 miles of shore line and about 4,000 acres of water. The park includes most of the Grand Glaize Arm of the lake. Two public swimming and boat launching areas are provided. Public Beach No. 1 is located at the end of State Highway 134, and Public Beach No. 2 is located $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from U.S. Highway 54, 2 miles south of the Grand Glaize Bridge. Other available facilities in the park are abundant, such as: boating; fishing; picnicking; tent and trailer camping; showers; modern rest rooms; coin-operated, automatic laundry equipment; horseback riding; nature trails; and the six organized group camps, Rising Sun, Clover Point, Hawthorn, Pin Oak, Red Bud, and Pa He Tsi. More modern rest rooms with showers and a trailer dumping station have been constructed in the camping area.

Boat launching ramp,
Lake of the Ozarks.





Camping near the water at Lake Wappapello.

LAKE WAPPAPELLO STATE PARK consists of 1,854 acres of an area known as the Allison Peninsula on Lake Wappapello. The area is located in Wayne County approximately 12 miles north of Poplar Bluff on U. S. Highway 67 and 9 miles east on State Highway 172. The U. S. Corps of Engineers licensed this land to the Missouri State Park Board for the establishment of a state park. The lake provides excellent crappie, black bass and jack salmon fishing. Facilities available, other than fishing, are: swimming, boating and tent and trailer camping. A floating boat dock is near the public use area and has available rental boats, motors and supplies. The modern comfort station has hot and cold showers and coin-operated, automatic clothes washer and dryer. Also, a trailer dumping station is available for travel trailers.

LEWIS AND CLARK STATE PARK, consisting of 61 acres, is 20 miles southwest of St. Joseph on State Highway 45. This park is located in Buchanan County on the south-east shore of Lewis and Clark Lake, which covers approximately 400 acres. Picnic facilities for day use and campgrounds are available for visitors to the park. A large pan and game fish hatchery is located in the park, from which many northern Missouri streams and lakes are stocked. The campgrounds now have a new modern rest room and shower building and electric hookups and trailer dumping station for tent and trailer camping.



Lewis & Clark Lake and campers at Lewis & Clark State Park.

MARK TWAIN STATE PARK is located in Monroe County, almost equal distance from Paris, Perry and Monroe City, on State Highway 107, and is a memorial to Mark Twain. This park consists of 1,192 acres of rough and tumble terrain. On the bluff overlooking the Salt River is hallowed ground, for here was born Samuel L. Clemens who brought literary fame to Missouri. There are camping grounds, picnicking, an enclosed shelter on Buzzard's Roost, Camp Clemens for organized group camping, and a number of nature trails wind their way through the park. Four housekeeping vacation cabins have been added to the park's facilities. The daily rates start at \$6.50 for one double bed in the light housekeeping cabins. The day use and camping areas now have modern rest rooms and shower facilities.



MERAMEC STATE PARK, consisting of 7,153 acres is located 4 miles east of Sullivan on State Highway 185 in Franklin County. This park is the state's second largest and is one of the most scenic, with the Meramec River cutting through rough, timbered hills; some 20 caves, headed by the big Fisher's Cave, and a dozen or more small springs. Fisher's Cave is the first large cave discovered west of the Mississippi. The park is a game refuge, and deer may be seen frequently. Facilities are provided for fishing, swimming and boating on the Meramec River, a dining lodge, nature trails, cabins, picnicking, camping grounds, complete trailer connections and a trailer dumping station. Three new modern comfort stations have been constructed providing hot and cold showers and coin-operated laundry equipment for the convenience of the campers. The nature museum, with new displays, is under the supervision of and serves as the headquarters for the park naturalist during the summer months. The daily housekeeping cabin rates start at \$7.50 for one double bed to \$15.00 for three double beds.



River and bluff in Meramec.



New cabins and dining lodge in Montauk.



Old mill dam on the Current River in Montauk.

MONTAUK STATE PARK, consisting of 1,096 acres, is located 21 miles southwest of Salem on State Highway 119 in Dent County. The clear, cold waters of Montauk Spring, flowing 40,000,000 gallons daily, emerge from the floor of a broad open valley enclosed by timbered slopes to form the headwaters of the Current River. A large trout hatchery is located near the spring and the stream is kept well stocked with trout. An old grist mill, with all machinery intact, still stands on the bank of the river. In addition to fishing, this park is an ideal spot for nature study. A new campground with modern rest room facilities, showers and coin-operated laundry equipment is now available, as are electric hookups for tent or trailer camping and a trailer dumping station. The picnic area has been enlarged and modern rest rooms constructed. The daily sleeping cabin rates in this park start at \$6.00 for one double bed. The daily housekeeping cabin rates start at \$8.00 for one double bed.

PERSHING STATE PARK, consisting of 1,836 acres, is located 2 miles west of Laclede on U. S. Highway 36 in the woodland and prairie area of Linn County. This park is a memorial to General John J. Pershing, Commanding General for the American Expeditionary Forces in World War I. The General's boyhood home in Laclede has been acquired by the State Park Board for preservation. The statue of the "War Angel" in the park was dedicated to all mothers of America in 1940 by the American War Mothers of Missouri. Excellent picnicking facilities with tables and ovens, camping and nature trails are provided. The campground now has modern rest rooms with showers and coin-operated washer and dryer. A dumping station for travel trailers is now available. Camp Blue Bird is available to non-profit organizations for group camping.



Public Beach in Pomme de Terre.

POMME DE TERRE STATE PARK

is located in Hickory County, 4 miles north of Pittsburg on State Highway 64. The 364 acres in this part lie between the Pomme de Terre River and the Lindley Creek Arms of the lake. This new reservoir has 7,800 acres of water and over 100 miles of shore line. Available facilities consist of a modern boat dock with rental boats, outboard motors for fishing or skiing;

boat launching ramp, swimming, camping and picnicking accommodations. Modern rest rooms with showers and coin-operated, automatic washer and dryer have been added to this new park. Also, a dumping station for travel trailers is available.



Summer fun on the clear blue Lake Pomme de Terre.

ROARING RIVER STATE PARK, consisting of 3,332 acres, is located in Barry County, 7 miles south of Cassville on State Highway 112 in the most beautiful part of the Ozarks, and except for the river valley, is rugged, mountainous and well timbered. The huge spring, which is the beginning of Roaring River, gushes 28,000,000 gallons of clear, cold water daily into the channel of Roaring River. A large trout hatchery is located near the spring, and the river is well stocked with trout at all times. The overnight campgrounds have been enlarged and available are new comfort stations with shower and laundry facilities, electric hookups for tent or trailer camping, and a trailer dumping station. Camp Smokey is available to non-profit organizations for group camping. Other facilities available are: hotel, dining lodge, cabins, store, picnic grounds, nature trails, swimming pool and riding stable. The daily hotel rates are \$6.50 and \$7.50. The sleeping cabin rates start at \$8.00 for one double bed. The housekeeping cabin rates start at \$9.00 for one double bed.



Opening day of trout fishing in Roaring River.



Swimming pool is a popular spot at Roaring River.



Spring branch at Round Spring.



The blue waters of Round Spring.

ROUND SPRING STATE PARK, consisting of 75 acres, is located in Shannon County, 12 miles north of Eminence on State Highway 19. The chief attraction of the park is the well-like spring after which it is named. Its average flow is 26,500,000 gallons daily, and it is the only spring in Missouri that has formed its own natural bridge. The spring is without sign of current, and it is usually clear or milky blue in color. Water from the spring emerges in a spring branch, which speeds picturesquely under a foot-bridge, through a grove to the Current River about 1,000 feet away. This park is an idyllic spot for campers and picnickers. Facilities available are: fishing, swimming, boating, nature trails, store, campgrounds, picnic grounds with tables and ovens, and playground equipment for the youngsters. The concession building houses modern rest rooms, showers and coin-operated laundry equipment. The concession operator has rental canoes for float and fishing on the Current River.

ST. FRANCOIS STATE PARK is located on U. S. Highway 67 in St. Francois County and comprises approximately 2,402 acres, all of which was given to the State of Missouri by the people of St. Francois County. The park is generally rugged and thickly wooded. It has great potential for development into a state park. Coonville Creek, a small springfed stream, roughly parallels the western boundary, and Big River bounds the park on the south. Although it is still under development, the park is open for limited day use and camping.



The St. Francois River in Sam A. Baker.

SAM A. BAKER STATE PARK, consisting of 4,898 acres, is located 3 miles north of Patterson on State Highway 143 in Wayne County, the birthplace of Sam A. Baker, former Governor of Missouri. On your first visit to the park, you will be struck by the beauty of nature's own landscaping from the summit of beautiful Mudlick Mountain, the bluffs and shut-ins along Big Creek and the swift, clear waters of the St. Francois River. Wildlife will be found in abundance in the park, and may be seen from numerous nature trails in the area. This park has become a popular family vacation spot, and the park's facilities have been designed for family accommodations. Available facilities are: swimming, a well-equipped kiddies' playground, cabins, dining lodge, nature trails, picnicking, store, campgrounds, with modern rest rooms and showers, electric hookups for tent or trailer camping and a trailer dumping station. The coin-operated, automatic clothes washer and dryer are located in the cabin area. The daily sleeping cabin rates start at \$5.00 for one double bed. The daily housekeeping cabin rates start at \$6.50 for one double bed. Also available for trailer campers is a trailer dumping station.



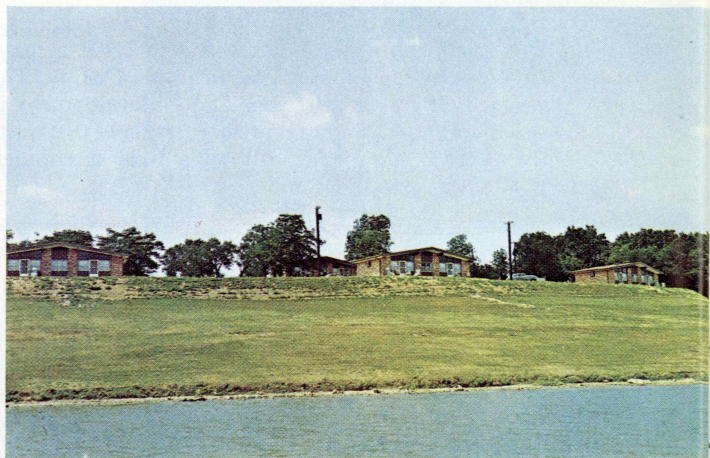
Boating and skiing on the Big Lake at Table Rock.

TABLE ROCK STATE PARK is located in Stone and Taney Counties, 5 miles west of Branson from State Highway 76 on State Highway 165. This area, consisting of 552 acres on Table Rock Reservoir, is licensed from the U. S. Corps of Engineers. It is situated in the heart of the Shepherd of the Hills country near inspiration point where Harold Bell Wright camped to write his famous novel about the Hills' people. Facilities available are: two boat docks (one for fishing and the other for recreation); a large concrete boat launching ramp; swimming; picnicking; a campground complete with modern comfort stations, hot and cold showers, automatic clothes washer and dryer; and a travel trailer park with connections for water, electricity and disposal.

THOUSAND HILLS STATE

PARK, consisting of 3,152 acres, is located 4 miles west of Kirksville from State Highway 6 in Adair County. This park is located in the beautiful green hills of northern Missouri and has for its principal feature the large man-made 703-acre lake. It has a 17-mile shore line and provides such water sports as motor boating (outboards only — 20 h. p. maximum), water skiing, surfboards, paddleboats, rowboats, swimming and fishing. The lake is stocked with crappie, bluegill, channel cat, black bass and jack salmon. The facilities available are: enclosed shelter, bathhouse and bathing beach, a well-supplied boathouse,

boat dock, launching ramp for boats, picnic grounds with tables and ovens, open shelters and playground equipment for the youngsters. The large campground is equipped with modern rest rooms, hot and cold showers and coin-operated, automatic clothes washer and dryer. The travel trailer park has connections for water, electricity and disposal available. Also, a trailer dumping station has been built. Another modern rest room building with showers has been constructed for the campground, and modern rest rooms are now available in the picnic area. Five new modern vacation cabins have been added to the park's facilities. The daily sleeping cabin rates are \$9.50 for two double beds. The daily housekeeping cabin rates are \$11.50 for two double beds.



The vacation cabins overlook Forest Lake at Thousand Hills.

TRAIL OF TEARS STATE PARK is located in Cape Girardeau County, 10 miles north of Cape Girardeau on State Highway 177 from County V, and 7 miles southeast off of State Highway 61 at Fruitland on County J, to State Highway 177. This park, consisting of 3,346 acres, was a gift to the State of Missouri by the residents of Cape Girardeau County, the first by any political subdivision. The park contains a portion of

the route known as "The Trail of Tears" used by the Cherokee Indians in their forced march from Tennessee to Oklahoma. Among the many who died was Princess Otahki, whose grave is now marked with a memorial monument. A dense and healthy stand of trees cover the area, which contains many fine specimens of American beech, tulip, winged elm, Spanish Oak and dogwood. Facilities available are: picnicking; nature trails; a campground complete with modern comfort station, hot and cold showers, automatic clothes washer and dryer; and a travel trailer park with connections for water, electricity and disposal. Also, there is now a dumping station for travel trailers. Modern rest rooms have been provided for the picnic area.



The day use area in Trail of Tears.

VAN METER STATE PARK, consisting of 727 acres, is located in Saline County, 12 miles northwest of Mashall on State Highway 122 from State Highway 41. This park offers excellent facilities for picnicking and camping, and a playground for kiddies is conveniently located in the main picnic area. The park is made distinctive by a thick growth of walnut trees and other flora. Indian remains date from early man cultures (10,000 B.C.) to the Historic Missouri Indians. Archaic Indian cultures are in evidence up to Early Woodland Cultures. The Middle Woodland Culture (Hopewell) built the "Old Fort", the only known earth-works of this kind west of the Mississippi. The Missouri Indians, after whom the State is named, lived in the area from early 1600 into the historic era and was at one time the most concentrated Indian occupation in the United States. The site is being used for the University of Missouri's "Summer Field Session in Archaeological Research."

Archaeologists at work in Van Meter.



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WAKONDA STATE PARK, located 3 miles south of LaGrange on U. S. Highway 61 in Lewis County, consists of 257 acres of land, 75 acres of which are in lakes. These lakes are well stocked with black bass, channel cat and bluegill. Swimming, camping and picnicking facilities are available in this new park. Modern rest rooms with showers are now available in the campground, and modern rest rooms are in the picnic area. Also available is a trailer dumping station.

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WALLACE STATE PARK, consisting of 301 acres, is located 6 miles south of Cameron on State Highway 121 in Clinton County. This park is an excellent example of how a regional recreation area can well serve a community. The enclosed shelter, as well as open shelters, is very popular and is almost in constant use. This well-kept area also furnishes ideal picnicking facilities, excellent equipped playgrounds for the youngsters, fishing in a small lake, camping, an area set aside for boy and girl scouts' overnights, and nature trails have been laid out through the rough parts of the park for hikers and nature students. For campers, new modern rest rooms with showers and coin-operated washer and dryer have been added. Also available is a trailer dumping station.

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WASHINGTON STATE PARK, consisting of 1,101 acres, is located 12 miles southwest of DeSoto on State Highway 21 in Washington County. Although it is not one of the state's larger parks, it is favored by many for its secluded setting, its excellent picnicking and camping sites, and its fine fishing and swimming in Big River. In addition, this park contains a concentration of hundreds of petroglyphs (pre-historic carvings in stone). Thunderbirds and other symbolic figures are interpreted for the public. A kiddies' playground and a parking lot are in front of the dining lodge. A baseball diamond and the picnic area are to the east along the river. To the west, foot trails lead along the river to a cave and to the bluffs overlooking the river. Also, there are cabins, shelter house, campgrounds and a nature museum provided. In the new camping area, a modern rest room building with showers has been constructed. The daily housekeeping cabin rates are \$6.50 for one double bed and \$10.00 for two double beds.

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MISSOURI HISTORIC SHRINES AND MEMORIALS



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THE ANDERSON HOUSE, which is in the Civil War Battle of Lexington State Park, is an excellent relic of a tragic event in the Nation's history. The Battle of Lexington, popularly known as "The Battle of the Hemp Bales", was fought on this site.

During and after the Battle of Lexington, the Anderson House served as a field hospital in which both Confederate and Federal troops were treated. Blood stained floors bear witness to the injured and the dead.

The two story brick mansion was built by Colonel Oliver Anderson in 1853. Anderson moved to Lexington, Missouri from Lexington, Kentucky in 1851 and became involved in the hemp rope industry. The interior wood work is beautiful walnut. The scars of battle are still visible on the inside and outside walls of the house.

Beautifully furnished of the period 1850-1865, the house is currently undergoing major restoration work. It is open to the public daily, except Mondays, New Year's, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas Days, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Sunday hours, Memorial Day through Labor Day, are from 12 noon to 6 p.m., and Labor Day to Memorial Day, 12 noon to 5 p.m. The charges are: Age 6-12, 25¢ — Over 12, 50¢.

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HISTORIC ARROW ROCK is an early settlement in Missouri filled with historic atmosphere. Here the Santa Fe Trail crossed the Missouri River and began its long trek to the southwest. Arrow Rock is the home of three early governors of the State, M. M. Marmaduke, John S. Marmaduke, and Clairborn F. Jackson. Arrow Rock was also the home of Dr. John Sappington of medical fame and George Caleb Bingham, the frontier artist.

THE ARROW ROCK TAVERN, built in 1837, by Judge Joseph Huston, still offers fine food for today's traveler. The air conditioned dining area is filled with the atmosphere of the historic house museum which surrounds it. The tavern is open to the public daily, except Mondays, New Year's and Christmas Days. The hours, Memorial Day through Labor Day, are from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Labor Day to Memorial Day, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The charges are: Age 6-12, 25¢ — Over 12, 50¢.



The Arrow Rock Home of George Caleb Bingham.

THE GEORGE CALEB BINGHAM HOUSE is furnished with primitive Missouri original furnishings. Owned by Bingham from 1837-1845, the house was recently restored by the Missouri State Park Board.

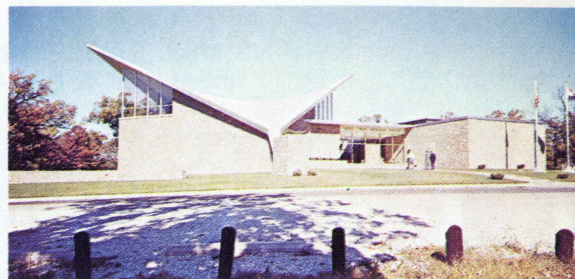
THE DR. MATTHEW HALL HOUSE is lavishly restored to the period 1830-1850. Dr. Hall was a prominent physician in Arrow Rock.

THE OLD SEMINARY was the living quarters of students who attended a boarding school in Arrow Rock in the 1830's. It is now the residence of the park superintendent.

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MARK TWAIN BIRTHPLACE MEMORIAL SHRINE, located in Mark Twain State Park, near Paris, on State Highway 107, is a modernistic building of steel, concrete, and native Missouri stone. It strikes a pleasing contrast to the surrounding countryside. Large glass windows cast the glow of Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain) beloved outdoors over the enshrined, small two-room cabin in which he was born on November 30, 1835. The building contains a museum containing many of Clemens' personal belongings and other exhibits interpreting his experiences and literary work. Also on display is the original manuscript of Clemens' book, **Tom Sawyer**. Missouri's most famous literary son, Mark

Twain became the world's best loved author and humorist, cheering and comforting a tired world. This shrine is open to the public daily, except Mondays, New Year's, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas Days, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Sunday hours, Memorial Day through Labor Day, are from 12 noon to 6 p.m., and Labor Day to Memorial Day, 12 noon to 5 p.m. The charges are: Age 6-16, 25¢ — Over 12, 50¢.



The Mark Twain Birthplace Memorial Shrine.

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GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING BOYHOOD HOME.

The boyhood home of the only other man besides George Washington to hold the title of General of the Armies is located 1 mile north of U. S. Highway 36 on State Highway 5 in Laclede, Missouri. The house is one of the few examples of Rural Gothic Architecture west of the Mississippi. Pershing lived here from age 6 (1866) until he left home for college in 1878. He became Commander-in-Chief of the victorious U. S. Expeditionary Forces at the beginning of World War I. A museum in one room of the eleven-room house interprets "Black Jack's" life. The remaining rooms are furnished of the period of Pershing's occupancy. This shrine is open to the public daily, except Mondays, New Year's, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas Days, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Sunday hours, Memorial Day through Labor

Day, are from 12 noon to 6 p.m., and Labor Day to Memorial Day, 12 noon to 5 p.m. The charges are: Age 6-12, 25¢ — Over 12, 50¢

PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN BIRTHPLACE HOME.

On May 8, 1884, Harry S. Truman, the only Missourian ever to serve as President, was born in this small house in Lamar, Missouri, which is in southwest Missouri on U. S. Highway 71. The house was purchased by the United Automobile Workers and donated to the State of Missouri as a monument to the 32nd President of the United States. Truman served as President from 1945-1953. Known for his straight forward Missouri manner, President Truman served this nation and the world in the threshold of the Atomic Age. This shrine is open to the public daily, except Mondays, New Year's, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas Days, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Sunday hours, Memorial Day through Labor Day, are from 12 noon to 6 p.m., and Labor Day to Memorial Day, 12 noon to 5 p.m. This shrine is open to the general public free.

The Birthplace of Harry S. Truman in Lamar.



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WATKINS MILL STATE PARK is located in Clay County, 6½ miles north of Excelsior Springs on U. S. Highway 69 and 1½ miles west on County MM. The primary attraction in this park is the woolen mill built and equipped by Waltus L. Watkins in 1860. The original machinery and steam engine power plant remain and today it is an excellent example of an industrial plant of the mid-1800's. The mill is located on the grounds of the old Watkins plantation, "Bethany", and several other features — such as the Watkins home, smoke house and family cemetery — add interest to a visit to this early Missouri plantation. To preserve the historic atmosphere, no automobiles are allowed in the Historic Area of the park and access to the buildings is by way of pleasant footpaths through the grounds. As yet, other than picnicking, no recreation facilities have been developed in this park. Guided tours through the old mill are available to the public daily, except Mondays, New Year's, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas Days, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Sunday hours, May 1 through November 1, are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and November 1 to May 1, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The charges are: Age 6-12, 25¢ — Over 12, 75¢.

Group rates are available at all historic sites for groups of twenty or more. A twenty percent reduction of admission will be granted if the group schedules their visit in advance, payment for the tour must be made in advance, and one adult must be present for each nine persons under sixteen years of age. For further information, contact the Historian, Missouri State Park Board, P. O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101.

FUTURE RECREATION NEEDS ARE BEING MET

Because of the great demand for outdoor recreation, the Missouri State Park Board is continually adding new State Parks and Historic Areas to the system and at the same time, improving the old. Even the casual visitor to our State Parks can easily recognize the expanding facilities being added everywhere, and though he may not know how many new parks have opened, he is certainly aware of the increasing number of visitors every year.

Plans and development are underway on several new areas throughout the State. Elephant Rocks in Iron County will feature the huge red granite rocks which have been exposed by the erosive force of the elements over eons of time.

Rock Bridge Memorial State Park in Boone County will feature the Devil's Icebox and Rock Bridge. When development is complete, this new park will be one of the outstanding parks in the system.

The Hunter-Dawson Home in New Madrid is an antebellum home built by William W. Hunter, a Virginian by birth, who came to New Madrid about 1830. Brigadier General John H. Pope used the home as his headquarters during the Civil War. It will be known as the Hunter-Dawson Home State Park.

Bollinger Mill State Park is in Cape Girardeau County and besides the old grist mill, has one of the few remaining covered bridges in the State. The mill was formerly called Burfordville Mill. The original mill was built in 1799 by Major George Frederick Bollinger.

Stockton State Park will be located on the new Stockton Reservoir. The area will be leased from the U. S. Corps of Engineers. This new park will be located in Cedar County.

Towosahgy State Park in Mississippi County will be of great interest to the archaeological student. The area was formerly called Beckwith Fort. Towosahgy is an Osage Indian word meaning "old town".

Missouri State Parks Offer You

... Unbounded beauties of nature ... Cool, lush valleys ... Stream-side campgrounds for relaxing fishing and living outdoors ... Picturesque picnic spots ... Clean, modern cabins with all conveniences and dining lodges amid rustic, unspoiled beauty ... Canyon-like rock formations, river bluffs and shut-ins ... Quiet, emerald-green forests ... These are but a few of the perfect settings in Missouri — one to match your every mood.

... Historic homes ... Forts and battlegrounds ... Virgin forests and green, timbered hillsides ... Quaint old mills ... Antiques and artifacts of history-rich Missouri ... Mark Twain Country ... Exciting Indian lore ... The homes, furnishings and mementos of General John J. Pershing, President Harry S. Truman and Mark Twain ... All on view for you in marvelous Missouri.



Scenic overlook in Washington State Park.

MISSOURI STATE PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS

CAMPING is permitted in most State Parks, but only in the place assigned by the superintendent, with a limit of 15 consecutive days. Demand a receipt for all camping fee payments. Any of the following groups is considered to be a "camp unit" and must register and pay the required fee of \$1.50 per camping unit per day.

- (a) A single tent occupying one unit site.
- (b) Two connected tents occupying only one unit site and used by only ONE family.
- (c) A single trailer equipped to be lived or slept in.
- (d) A single car, truck, bus or other vehicle used for living or sleeping quarters.
- (e) A sleeping bag, hammock or similar device used for sleeping with no other shelter.

The campground check-out time is 3:00 p.m.

In a few parks there are modern trailer hookups, and at those facilities the fee will be \$2.00 per trailer per day. This fee is applicable in Bennett Spring, Big Spring, Meramec, Table Rock, Thousand Hills and Trail of Tears State Parks. At other parks where electric service connections are available, an additional fee of 25¢ per day will be charged for this service.

FIREWOOD in all state parks will be sold at the rate of 25¢ per bundle. Wood lot hours are posted in each park.

DOGS, CATS, STOCK, POULTRY, or any other domestic animals are not permitted to range within the park at any time. Pets are permitted only when on leash, said leash not to be more than ten (10) feet in length.

FIRECRACKERS OR FIREWORKS are absolutely prohibited at all times.

FIRES may be built only in the ovens, stoves or rings provided by the State Park Board, and must be extinguished before leaving the area. No camp fires will be permitted in the overnight camp areas after 10:00 p.m. Fires may be prohibited entirely by the posting of special signs.

HORSES are permitted only in designated areas and are not permitted in the camping area, picnic area, or other public use areas. Horses are to have a rider on them or the horse is to be tied in a designated area.

HUNTING AND FISHING. No person shall pursue, catch, kill, or take any wildlife in any manner, or in any quantity or at any time or place, except as permitted by the rules and regulations of

the Department of Conservation. The possession of a firearm shall be considered prima facie evidence of violation of this regulation.

SWIMMING is permitted only in designated places and only at swimmer's risk. Swimming is also restricted to hours between sunrise and sunset.

SPEED LIMIT not in excess of 20 miles per hour, for any vehicle.

MOTORCYCLES. No motorcycles, motorbikes, or any other two or three wheeled, motor-powered vehicles shall be permitted in park areas in which signs are posted prohibiting their use. The Director shall, in his discretion, determine those park areas, if any, in which such vehicles are to be permitted.

These regulations are intended to protect the rights and interests of all park patrons, and should be observed in the spirit of consideration for others.

Any person violating any rule or regulation adopted by the State Park Board or any law while within the confines of any State Park shall be subject to prosecution under the laws of the State of Missouri.

Adopted this 5th day of January, 1968, pursuant to authority granted by Chapter 253, Missouri Revised Statutes, 1959.

MISSOURI STATE PARK BOARD

Dining lodges and cabins in Bennett Spring, Montauk and Roaring River State Parks open March 1 and close October 31. The opening date for cabins in other parks is April 15 and closing date is October 31.

One day's deposit is required for all lodging reservations, which must be made by contacting the Concessionaire in the park of your choice. The deposit is refunded if a cancellation is received by the Concessionaire 24 hours in advance of the time specified in the reservation. When occupying cabins for one week, the seventh day is free. All quoted prices apply to the 1968 season.

Check In—Check Out. Rooms and cabins are not guaranteed for occupancy before 3:00 p.m. Register at main desk. Check out time is 1:00 p.m.

The sleeping cabins are equipped with towels and linens. The housekeeping cabins are furnished with towels, linens, cooking utensils and tableware.

(RESERVATIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FOR TENT OR TRAILER CAMPING. THE CAMPGROUNDS ARE OPEN THE YEAR ROUND, BUT WATER AND RELATED SANITARY FACILITIES ARE NOT AVAILABLE FROM OCTOBER 31 TO APRIL 15.)

